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FORM PTO-1390) U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER (REV. 10-2003) 785.46183X00 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES 2. 37 CFR 1.5) NUVA Signa 2 DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED December 11, 2003 PCT/EP2004/009695 August 31, 2004 TITLE OF INVENTION Device for a Motor Vehicle that Affords Occupant Protection During the Impact of Energy Directed Against a Motor Vehicle Door as a Result of a Collision APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Tobias MELZ Ho-Sung KANG Eric ZIMMERMAN Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. 🛛 This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must 3. include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. 🛛 The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. 🛛 A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))) a. 🛛 is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office(RO/US) An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 6. 🛛 a.  $\boxtimes$  is attached hereto. b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. 🔲 Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 8. 🔲 An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 9. 🔲 An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT 10. Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. 🔯 An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. 🔲 An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. 🔯 A preliminary amendment. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 14. 15. 🔯 A substitute specification. 16. 🔲 A power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 18. 19. 🔲 A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

Other items or information: Figs.: 1; Request for Examination and Search; Marked-Up Specification; Credit Card

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## **REQUEST FOR EXAMINATION AND SEARCH**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 8, 2006

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that a search and examination be conducted in the above-identified application. The necessary search fee and examination fee are enclosed herewith.

Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including excess claim fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (785.46183X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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| International Application No. | International Filing Date | Attorney Docket No. |
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- 1. International Publication No. WO 2005/061308 \*\*\*A-1
- 2. Notification Concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Document
- 3. First Notice Informing the Application of the Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices
- 4. Second and Supplementary Notice Informing The Applicant of The Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices
- 5. International Search Report